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L. M. Layne.

The tragedy on Mitchell field, Garden City, N. Y., Sunday that cost L. M. Layne, vice-president of the Layne & Bowler Co., his life removed from the civic activities of Memphis one of its most valuable citizens.

Mr. Layne was largely instrumental in building up a splendid enterprise. He was counted one of the successful young men of the city.

The devotion he gave to his business was an index to the enthusiasm he displayed in the various campaigns and drives that the people of Memphis have been called on to put over.

Mr. Layne had the distinction of being one of the few new arrivals to be elected a director of the Chamber of Commerce. The members of that organization were not slow to appreciate his exceptional qualities for doing things.

His death is a distinct loss to the community, as he was not only a splendid citizen but gave promise of taking a larger part in the city's affairs.

As this is written no further word has been received concerning Mr. O'Sullivan, pilot of the airplane, who was thought to have been fatally injured.

He is known as a careful and cautious pilot and a splendid young man. He has hundreds of friends in this territory who are hoping that he will survive.

Convinced.

Now that Great Britain, if not the rest of the allied powers, is on the verge of recognizing the Bolshevik regime in Russia and reopening trade relations with that country, it is time to note the interview sent back here by Emma Goldman, deported from these shores as an anarchist some four or five months ago.

From this safe side Russian Bolshevism seemed to Miss Goldman, as well as others of her particular school of thought, like a new heaven and new earth, which they stepped out of the reach of American tyranny at last by crossing the Russian border, they saluted the Russian soil with a holy kiss, and sent back word to their comrades left behind that from free Russia they were going to work still for the freedom of unshackled America.

Such is the power of propaganda! Doubtless Mormonism, cannibalism, Sufism, or any other eccentric system could be made to appear from a good distance away as the world's one salvation.

With a nearer view and a closer acquaintance came disenchantment. When asked how she liked Bolshevism after several months of living with it, Miss Goldman replied: "It is rotten. It's so rotten I'm sick with it."

Having made trouble for herself for seeking while here to make America like Russia, Miss Goldman in Russia is winning unpopularity by displaying an American flag with apparent pride.

She is the country of the soul, to which she hopes some day to return. Apparently her tactics to secure transportation will be the same as those which brought her to Russia. She proposes to start her campaign to de-Bolshevize Russia, and she expects to be of little avail for her utterances. She does not mind prospect, as she is used to it, and perhaps sooner or later the authorities will get tired of failing her and ship her to that America to which she refers with such reasonable approval.

It would never in this world have been possible by means of argument to refute for people of Miss Goldman's type of mind and heart, of which one was inaccurate and the other unstable, the pure doctrine of Marxian socialism, of which the exact literature would fill libraries. But the Russian Bolshevists by the force of example have about succeeded in bringing this to pass, to the unspeakable suffering of their own country, but to the blessed enlightenment of all other peoples looking on.

The American Federation of Labor at Montreal last week went on record in the strongest possible language as opposing the recognition of the Soviet government. It has become very clear to the labor leaders, who might be expected to plead conviction on a practical point somewhat sooner than Miss Goldman and the "intellectuals," that no good thing is to come out of Bolshevism or the encouragement of Bolshevism.

With the conversion of Miss Goldman, and the recall from us of Commissioner Martens, of the New York Bolshevist office, the American opinion on this point now is almost unanimous, and there is every prospect that the name of Bolshevism will soon acquire no more than the memory of a dream that is gone.

Hearts for Trumps.

The detectives working on the mystery of the Elwell murder gave a good deal of time to considering the evidence of possible suicide. But the victim's wife did not waste a moment on such a thought. Having some reason to know the man, she declared the fact that he was found without his wife and without his teeth shows that nothing was farther from his intentions at the moment of his death than publicity.

Nothing became Elwell in his life worse than the leaving of it. He should have passed away like a Petronius, wreathed in garlands, dressed in fine garments and his cunning troupe, and surrounded by the countenances of friends smiling in response to his witticisms. He was not ready to shuffle off his mortal coil. His widow testified that he was always ready to try any crank's prescription for longevity. Once for some time he followed somebody's advice to eat five raw prunes before each meal as a means of lengthening life.

Hearts were trumps for the great

bridge master. He played them skillfully and never allowed the excitement of the game to affect his own head. He told his wife his preference in the way of women once, as he was standing before the mirror in a characteristic attitude, trying on one tie after another. "I like them cold, false, beautiful—but without daring, a little worldly—a little past 27, let us say—with a memory of a past—a woman who might perhaps be a little worn with love, but around at the devastation and laughing, that's it, laughing. They should laugh always in the face of everything—they should take things either with humor or hauteur."

It is possible, however, that the most sophisticated of mortal men, the perfect man about town, the complete Elwell in fact, with all his scores of fond admirers, may really have the most limited and provincial knowledge of women. It is with that possibility in mind that many persons will not accept as gospel truth the scornful Elwell dictum: "Women are fools; the fool is in their flesh."

Storing Food.

The great refrigerator warehouses of the country are filling up with eggs and butter, fresh meats and other food products, while the people are paying war prices for food. Refrigeration is a development of science, and a valuable one. Without it the surplus supply of eggs, butter, fresh meats and other perishable food products would go to waste. To preserve it, refrigeration is necessary and expensive.

If the warehouses were emptied and their contents thrown upon the market there would be a temporary fall in prices, but there would be much waste and loss and the food supply for next winter would be depleted. This is the harvest season for butter and eggs, and unless they can be stored for future use the future must be unprovided for.

The speculators who are storing up food mean to make money, and they doubtless will. Yet they serve a good and beneficial purpose. High prices for food that are on the market at all. Chickens and meat animals can't be kept alive. Feeding them costs too much. They must be consumed or stored for the future. We encourage and applaud our canning clubs that preserve fruits and vegetables for the future.

The canning club is a miniature refrigerating warehouse. The principle is the same. The fruits and vegetables that are canned are taken off the market and hoarded. It is well. Some provision must be made for tomorrow, because by no means sufficient today is the food of the future. Stores must be laid up for future use. Domestic animals can be fed on cured food, hay and grain. People require other nourishment. The individual is very much like the grasshopper in the fable, who sings his summer away and when winter comes, starves and dies.

So long as the granaries and warehouses are well filled there is no danger of starving. When the day of need comes people will find some way of getting to the food. The hope of gain moves people to store up food, and if it is well, without some motive it would not be done, and starvation would follow. Fifty cents the dozen for eggs is a high price to pay at this season of the year, but it is better to pay it than to be without eggs at any price next winter. Storing food should not be considered immoral. It is a matter of prudence, justified by necessity.

Solid Comfort.

People acquainted with the telephone will admit that Alexander Graham Bell knows how to make his science work, and they will therefore have faith in the inventor's latest home-made scheme for making humanity comfortable here below.

People complain that they have no place to go to get out of the hot weather when it is upon them. It is inconvenient climbing into the refrigerator, but it is unnecessary. All they have to do is to put a refrigerator in an upper chamber, lead a pipe, which should be covered with asbestos if possible, from the refrigerator down into the lower room, and wait for nature to do her work. As cold air is heavier than hot air, it will come down right off the ice and fill the room with thoughts of Greenland's icy mountains.

The room will register 50 to 60 degrees and a coat will be the proper thing for wear. If the windows are not opened and political discussions are avoided, the result is solid comfort and perfect peace.

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The Days of Real Sport—By Briggs

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Public Discussion

EIGHTEENTH AMENDMENT AND CONVENTION

To The News Scimitar:

It is up to the Democratic convention to put itself on record unequivocally as in favor of the Eighteenth Amendment and the enforcement act. The country is taking this great issue seriously, the prohibition want to hold all the states in the union. This is the time, when drink is a damper on the progress of the states and the United States, and the nomination of a president and secretary of the Democratic party, the nomination of a president and secretary of the Democratic party, the nomination of a president and secretary of the Democratic party.

The liquor, beer and wine interests, the California wine interests, the West, an Italian organization, are pledged to vote as one man and for no man that is not an anti-war royal battle against the dry forces. The Methodist and Baptists of the South have been in convention and association in no uncertain words on the issue. W. H. PATTON, Shubuta, Miss.

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THE SUFFRAGE ISSUES.

Assistant Attorney-General Frieson advises the governor of Tennessee that the present legislature of that state is competent to approve the suffrage amendment and so complete the process of ratification by the required three-fourths of all the states of the union. This may be good law, it may be bad law. The revised founders of this republic would certainly have denounced it as very bad law. Up to a very recent time the supreme court of the United States, we think, would not have accepted this opinion as sound.

The point is that the constitution of the state of Tennessee provides that action upon amendments of the federal constitution must be taken by a legislative body. The suffrage amendment intended to reserve to themselves the right and the opportunity to make their own law in respect to proposed constitutional amendments.

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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Q.—What does the expression "Kendrick's tent" mean?—L. O. R.

A.—This expression is used to denote unclean surroundings, and is taken from a passage in the Bible, Psalm 11:1.

Q.—Who invented the "rule of eleven" used in bridge whist, and why does it work?—J. I. L.

A.—This rule follows a mathematical principle and was discovered rather than invented by R. P. Foster in 1881. The cards in the various suits run from two to fourteen, the ace taking the value of fourteen. When the fourth best card of the suit is led, since there are three cards below it and four above it, the number in the other three hands that will take the card led will be found by subtracting from eleven the number of cards on the card led. The declarer can count the "takers" in his own hand and dummy, and will know, therefore, how many are in the hand of the leader's partner.

Q.—How much does it cost to drill an oil well in Southern Texas?—J. I. L.

A.—The approximate cost of drilling an oil well is \$7,000 for 1,000 feet; \$15,000 for 2,000 feet; \$25,000 for 3,000 feet; \$40,000 for 4,000 feet.

Q.—Where were German ships in Manila harbor when Admiral Dewey entered to fight the "Battle of Manila"?—T. E. W.

A.—There were German ships at Manila, but they were not in the harbor. They were in the bay, and were not engaged in the battle.

Q.—How often should a baby be bathed in hot weather?—D. I. H.

A.—Baths should be given at least once a day, and during the summer, three or four tepid sponge baths daily are beneficial.

Q.—Where is Seven Dials?—L. O. R.

A.—This is a locality in St. Giles, London, between Trafalgar square and the British museum, and was frequently referred to in Dickens' books. A clock pillar with seven dial faces once stood there.

Q.—Is it true that Heenan prisoners held the streets of Alexandria, Va., during the Revolutionary war?—L. K. J.

A.—Many of the streets of Alexandria were paved with cobblestones which were placed there during the Revolution by the army of George Washington. The streets were paved with cobblestones which were placed there during the Revolution by the army of George Washington.

Q.—What was the origin of the double-headed eagle which appears on the coat of arms of Austria?—N. M.

A.—The double-headed eagle of the Holy Roman empire was sometimes used by the Austrian emperors. It was a symbol of the empire's power and influence.

Q.—What is the Tower of Babel?—L. M. T.

A.—This is the water clock erected at Athens, Greece, in the second or first century before Christ. It is a circular tower, 42 feet high and 36 feet in diameter. Toward the top of each side it is surmounted by various symbols of the zodiac, and the originality of which served as a watchtower.

Q.—What was the loss of life in New York in 1919 when men resisted the draft?—E. L. K.

A.—In the draft riots in New York City from July 13 to July 16, 1919, it is estimated that more than a thousand men lost their lives, and property valued at \$1,500,000 was destroyed.

Q.—How many languages are spoken in New York?—E. L. K.

A.—The interurban world movement has collected a survey which states that 23 foreign tongues are spoken daily on New York streets. Nearly two million New Yorkers use other languages than English.

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MRS. SOLOMON SAYS:

Being the Confessions of the Seven Hundredth Wife.

BY HELEN ROWLAND.

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My daughter, which is every maiden's prayer! "Oh, make me a man's ideal!" cryeth the damsel, "for now approacheth the harvest season of hearts, when chaffing virgins shall garner husbands."

"Make me all things that a man desireth—even the mirror, which reflecteth his image, glorified, magnified and beautified!"

"Make me as the moon, which beameth down upon him with tender allurement, but keepeth her distance, and which behind a cloud, and the moon's smile, which is the moon's smile."

"Make me like his cigar, which is a cold, until a man lighteth the flame, and burneth all his words, and the moon's smile, which is the moon's smile."

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